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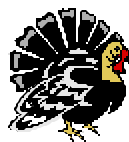
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady to firm. Asking prices trended higher and premiums were sought for 8-10 LB hens and 20-24 LB toms. Trading was light for current and deferred shipments. Demand was light to moderate for the light offerings. Trading was moderate on fresh tom breast meat, slow to moderate on the balance of bulk meats and bulk parts. Demand was good for tom drums, moderate to good on tom v-type wings, moderate for fresh tom breast meat, light on most other items. Supplies were at least adequate except breast trim and hen v-type wings were tight.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was heavy on open priced fresh tom drums for July-August shipments, moderate on frozen tom drums and frozen MST, otherwise slow. Tom drumettes traded at 29 cents, tom necks 38, hen drums 42.50, fresh tom drums 48 delivered, and turkey wogs 83 cents delivered port for September shipments. Demand was generally moderate for the adequate to barely adequate supplies.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JULY 07, 2005**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/					FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	70-71	71	71.00	640	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	69-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-71	71	71.00	1120	-	-	-	-	-

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JULY 08, 2005**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/					FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-73	70	70.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-74	-	-	-	74.00	120	AUG	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-73	73	73.00	12	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	70-73	-	-	-	74.00	200	AUG	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF JULY 08, 2005	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	70.75	70.00	70.50 **
CENTRAL REGION	70.00	70.50 **	71.00
WESTERN REGION	71.00	71.00	70.50 **
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	70.63 **	70.00	70.50 **
CENTRAL REGION	73.00	72.00	70.00 **
WESTERN REGION	71.00	68.40	70.00 **

\*\*BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,  
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	70-79
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	70-78
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	69-78

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY  
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	109-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	116-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	116-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	106-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	106-123

**NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS- WITH TIMERS OR EQUIVALENT**

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS,  
(prices reflect turkeys with timers) **Week of 11-JULY-2005**

	Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
<b>PRICED AT TIME OF SALE</b>		
8-16 lbs.	81.09	280,000
16-24 lbs.	79.50	20,000
<b>PRICE TO BE DETERMINED</b>		
8-16 lbs.	—	10,000
16-24 lbs.	—	5,000
Total Volume:		315,000

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**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**

Week ending 02-JULY-05

(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)

	<b>—YOUNG TURKEYS—</b>			<b>OLD</b>	<b>TOTAL TURKEYS</b>	
	<b>THOUSAND</b>	<b>PCT CHG</b>	<b>AVG</b>	<b>BANDED</b>		<b>AVG</b>
	<b>HEAD</b>	<b>PW</b>	<b>LIVE WT</b>	<b>-THOUSAND</b>	<b>HEAD-</b>	<b>LIVE WT</b>
North East	721	-2	24.01	(A)	722	24.01
South Atlantic	688	-5	32.96	(A)	689	32.96
North Central	2,204	-1	31.42	(A)	2,205	31.42
South Central	704	-1	18.52	(A)	704	18.52
West	352	2	26.47	(A)	352	26.47
U.S. total	4,669(B)	-1	28.18	3	4,672	28.18

To-date

2005 110,604(B) 74 110,678

To-date

2004 111,154(B) 173 111,327

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 74,000; for the current year to date 617,000; for last year to date 1,163,000.

**TURKEY MOVEMENT TREND** (IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

June 472,238\*  
July 1 - 2, 2005 21,064\*

To date 2005 2,569,282\*  
To date 2004 2,521,049\*

\* Preliminary

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 02-JULY-05**

	<b>YOUNG</b>		<b>YOUNG</b>	<b>OLD</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
	<b>HENS</b>	<b>TOMS</b>	<b>BREEDERS</b>		
	<b>-----THOUSANDS-----</b>				
Head	1,908	2,687	74	3	4,672
Avg Wt	15.77	37.09	24.92	23.70	28.18
Last week	1,999	2,714	26	5	4,744
Same wk yr ago	1,809	2,728	44	5	4,586
Avg Wt	15.94	36.27	24.75	26.44	28.13
To-date/2005	43,616	66,371	617	74	110,678
To-date/2004	44,604	65,387	1,163	173	111,327

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**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS **AS OF 07 JULY 2005.**

The market tone on breast trim and fresh tom breast meat was steady to fully steady, de-trapped tenderloins and frozen tom breast meat steady, scapula steady to barely steady and frozen wing meat barely steady to weak. Demand on breast trim and fresh tom breast meat moderate to good, frozen de-trapped tenderloins moderate, frozen wing meat with skin extremely light to light, balance of white meat light to moderate. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat light to adequate, breast trim light, de-trapped tenderloins and frozen tom breast meat adequate, scapula adequate to fully adequate and frozen wing meat with skin adequate to burdensome on January and newer production. Domestic trading was active on fresh tom breast meat and fresh -20% mechanically separated turkey, balance slow. Export trading was active on drums, balance slow to moderate. For domestic: plant grade basted 14-16 lb. breasts 137-140 and 18-20 lb. 140; plant grade non-basted 16 lb. 140, 16-18 lb. 142, 18-20 lb. 140; fresh breast trim 141-150 mostly 141-143 cents delivered. Fresh -20% mechanically separated turkey traded at 29 cents delivered export.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	111.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	158.00		158.00	18
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	100.50	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	49.50-50.00		49.58	25
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	49.00	280
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	42.00		42.00	26
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	27.00-30.00		29.40	130
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	28.00		28.00	67
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	28.00-33.00		29.94	124
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	90.00		90.00	10
NECKS, TOM	39.00-41.00		40.57	67
NECKS, HEN	40.00		40.00	15
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	170.00		170.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	178.00-180.00		178.40	400
THIGH MEAT	83.00		83.00	82
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	85.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT	142.00		142.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT	91.00		91.00	40
TENDERLOINS	149.00		149.00	6
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	148.00		148.00	160
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	172.00		172.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	32.00		32.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	26.00-31.00		27.70	424
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	49.00-52.00		50.00	680
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00-31.00		30.33	312
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	28.00-30.00		29.71	280
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	82.00-84.00		83.00	80

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 08 JULY 2004.

The market tone on tom drums and tom full-cut wings was steady to fully steady, tom necks cautiously steady to steady and tom 2-joint wings steady to barely steady. Demand good on tom drums for domestic and export shipments, moderate to good on tom full-cut wings, light to moderate on tom necks and light at best on tom 2-joint wings. Offerings of tom drums and tom full-cut wings light at best, tom necks adequate to fully adequate and tom 2-joint wings adequate to instances ample. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to fully steady. Demand moderate for the light offerings. The market tone on mechanically separated turkey was steady to barely steady. Demand light for the mixed availability. Trading was heavy on open priced fresh tom drums for July-August export shipments, moderate on fresh tom breast meat for current shipments, balance slow to moderate. For domestic: fresh scapula 105, Grade A basted 8-10 lb. breasts 115, Grade A basted 12-14 lb. breasts 145 cents delivered. For export: tom drummettes 29, tom necks 38, hen drums 42.50, fresh tom drums 48 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY	
					WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	106.00		106.00	80	106.00	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	145.00		145.00	25	150.44	43
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	100.50	80		
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	48.00-50.00		49.04	112	49.59	289
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	50.00-54.00		50.80	50	50.80	50
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	42.00		42.00	40	42.00	86
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	29.00-31.00		30.39	173	29.94	353
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	30.00		30.00	40	28.75	107
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00-31.50		29.32	62	30.31	478
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	90.00	10	90.00	30
NECKS, TOM	39.00-41.00		39.84	166	39.82	327
NECKS, HEN		R	40.00	15	40.00	15
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	171.00		171.00	20	170.20	100
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	178.00-182.00		179.26	380	179.29	1,300
THIGH MEAT		R	83.00	82	83.00	82
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	84.00		84.00	49	84.00	49
BREAST TRIM MEAT	142.00		142.00	80	142.00	160
SCAPULA MEAT		R	91.00	40	91.00	80
TENDERLOINS		R	149.00	6	149.00	6
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	148.00	160	148.00	360
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	168.00-170.00		168.55	124	169.12	204
WING MEAT WITH SKIN						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	30.00		30.00	40	27.60	100
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	26.00-28.00		27.00	80	27.59	504
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	49.00-51.00		50.11	392	50.04	1,228
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	30.33	312	30.33	312
TAILS	25.25		25.25	40	25.25	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	29.00		29.00	40	29.63	320
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	82.00-83.00		82.28	288	82.43	368

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2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 06/29/05**

**POULTRY HEALTH BOARD**

**CUMULATIVE**

SEASON	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITE	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
2004-2005	7,700	286,095	286,095
2003-2004	8,328	293,958	293,958